

States Code, relating to the authority to order to active duty certain officers and enlisted members of the Coast Guard and to detain enlisted members, are invoked to the full extent provided by the terms thereof.

**Sec. 4.** The Secretary of Defense is hereby designated and empowered, without the approval, ratification, or other action by the President, to exercise the authority vested in the President by sections 123, 123a, 527, and 12006 of title 10, United States Code, as invoked by sections 2 and 3 of this order.

**Sec. 5.** The Secretary of Transportation is hereby designated and empowered, without the approval, ratification, or other action by the President, to exercise the authority vested in sections 331, 359, and 367 of title 14, United States Code, when the Coast Guard is not serving as part of the Navy, as invoked by section 2 of this order, to recall any regular officer or enlisted member on the retired list to active duty and to detain any enlisted member beyond the term of his or her enlistment.

**Sec. 6.** The authority delegated by this order to the Secretary of Defense and the Secretary of Transportation may be redelegated and further subdelegated to civilian subordinates who are appointed to their offices by the President, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate.

**Sec. 7.** Based upon my determination under 10 U.S.C. 2201(c) that it is necessary to increase (subject to limits imposed by law) the number of members of the armed forces on active duty beyond the number for which funds are provided in appropriation Acts for the Department of Defense, the Secretary of Defense may provide for the cost of such additional members as an excepted expense under section 11(a) of title 41, United States Code.

**Sec. 8.** This order is intended only to improve the internal management of the executive branch, and is not intended to create any right or benefit, substantive or procedural, enforceable at law by a party against the United States, its agencies, its officers, or any person.

**Sec. 9.** This order is effective immediately and shall be promptly transmitted to the

Congress and published in the *Federal Register*.

**George W. Bush**

The White House,  
September 14, 2001.

[Filed with the Office of the Federal Register, 8:45 a.m., September 17, 2001]

NOTE: This Executive order will be published in the *Federal Register* on September 18.

### **Message to the Congress on the Declaration of National Emergency by Reason of Certain Terrorist Attacks**

*September 14, 2001*

*To the Congress of the United States:*

Pursuant to section 201 of the National Emergencies Act (50 U.S.C. 1621), I hereby report that I have exercised my authority to declare a national emergency by reason of the terrorist attacks at the World Trade Center, New York, New York, and the Pentagon, and the continuing and immediate threat of further attacks on the United States. A copy of my proclamation is attached.

Further, I have authorized, pursuant to section 12302 of title 10, United States Code, the Secretary of Defense, and the Secretary of Transportation with respect to the Coast Guard when it is not operating as a service within the Department of the Navy, to order to active duty units and individual members not assigned to units of the Ready Reserve to perform such missions the Secretary of Defense may determine necessary. The deployment of United States forces to conduct operational missions in connection with the World Trade Center and Pentagon attacks necessitates this action. A copy of my Executive Order implementing this action is attached.

**George W. Bush**

The White House,  
September 14, 2001.

**Proclamation 7464—Amending Proclamation 7461, Display of the Flag at Half-Staff as a Mark of Respect for the Victims of the Incidents on Tuesday, September 11, 2001**

*September 14, 2001*

*By the President of the United States of America*

**A Proclamation**

By the authority vested in me as President of the United States by the Constitution and the laws of the United States of America, and in order to extend the display of the flag at half-staff as a mark of respect for the victims of the terrorist attacks on Tuesday, September 11, 2001, it is hereby ordered that Proclamation 7461 of September 11, 2001, is amended by deleting in the first sentence the words “Sunday, September 16” and inserting in their place the words “Saturday, September 22.”

**In Witness Whereof**, I have hereunto set my hand this fourteenth day of September, in the year of our Lord two thousand one, and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred and twenty-sixth.

**George W. Bush**

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NOTE: This proclamation will be published in the *Federal Register* on September 19.

**Remarks to Police, Firemen, and Rescueworkers at the World Trade Center Site in New York City**

*September 14, 2001*

**Audience members.** U.S.A! U.S.A! U.S.A!

**The President.** Thank you all. I want you all to know—

**Audience member.** Can’t hear you.

**The President.** I can’t go any louder. [Laughter]

I want you all to know that America today—America today is on bended knee in

prayer for the people whose lives were lost here, for the workers who work here, for the families who mourn. This Nation stands with the good people of New York City and New Jersey and Connecticut as we mourn the loss of thousands of our citizens.

**Audience member.** I can’t hear you.

**The President.** I can hear you. I can hear you. The rest of the world hears you. And the people who knocked these buildings down will hear all of us soon.

**Audience members.** U.S.A! U.S.A! U.S.A!

**The President.** The Nation sends its love and compassion to everybody who is here. Thank you for your hard work. Thank you for making the Nation proud. And may God bless America.

**Audience members.** U.S.A! U.S.A! U.S.A!

NOTE: The President spoke at 4:40 p.m. at Murray and West Streets.

**Statement on Congressional Action on the Supplemental Appropriations To Address the September 11 Terrorist Attacks**

*September 14, 2001*

I am gratified that the Congress has united so powerfully by taking this action. It sends a clear message—our people are together, and we will prevail.

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**Digest of Other White House Announcements**

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The following list includes the President’s public schedule and other items of general interest announced by the Office of the Press Secretary and not included elsewhere in this issue.

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**September 10**

In the morning, the President went to the Washington Navy Yard, and he later returned to the White House.

In the afternoon, the President traveled to Jacksonville, FL. Later, he traveled to